

afternoon. A daughter of the deceased, Christine Lousier, aged fifteen years, testified that on her return from school on that day she found her father in the extension of the parlors on knees, partly suspended, with a rope around his neck. She went to him and saw him in the wood-work of the door. Christine said she ran upstairs and told her mother, who lifted him up in her arms. She procured a knife and after cutting the rope from round her father's neck, took him to his room and laid him down on the bed. He looked at her mother and then expired. A physician was summoned, but his services were of no avail. Christine said her father was an epileptic, and in his conversation dwelt on the subject of misfortune in business and trouble caused by the same. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Rev. Theodore H. Drowl, testified that he had known the deceased for more than twenty years, and had noticed that since he had his business affairs in his hands he had become melancholy. The pastor said he was positively convinced that the deceased was suffering from mental trouble, and that he was not sane at the time he was killed. Dr. McCalland testified that they believed deceased to have been insane. The jury found a verdict of insanity, and recommended that the hanging while laboring under temporary aberration of the mind. Deceased's life is said to have been a sad one.